

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): A method in a data processing system for searching for information, the method comprising:

responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;

identifying a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier;

determining whether the Web page has a search object; and

searching for the information corresponding to the search string through [[a]] the Web page identified by the universal resource identifier,

wherein if the Web page has a search object the searching step comprises:

locating a search object on the Web page; and

using the search object to search for the information; and

wherein if the Web page does not have a search object the searching step comprises:

performing a simple text search of the Web page.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the searching step comprises:

searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

4. (Original): The method of claim 3, wherein the searching step further comprises:

searching Web pages identified by any universal resource identifiers found on the Web page.

5. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the universal resource identifier is a universal resource locator.

6. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented in a Web browser on the data processing system.
7. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented in a program located on the data processing system.
8. (Original): The method of claim 1 further comprising:
presenting results of the search.
9. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 8, wherein the results are presented as a set of universal resource identifiers, wherein each universal resource identifier within the set of universal identifiers locators are selectable to retrieve an associated Web page.
10. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the selected delimiter is at least one of a "\$", "%", "*", and "#".
11. (Currently Amended): A method in a data processing system for searching for information, the method comprising:
responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;
searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; [[and]]
if the Web page has a search object, initiating a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string; and
if the Web page does not have a search object, initiating a simple text search for the information based on the search string.
12. (Currently Amended): A data processing system for searching for information, the data processing system comprising:

parsing means, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected character;

identification means for identifying a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier;

determination means for determining whether the Web page has a search object;
and

searching means for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through [[a]] the Web page identified by the universal resource identifier,
wherein the searching means comprises:

means for locating a search object on the Web page~~[[;]]~~ and using the search object to search for the information if the Web page has a search object;
and

means for performing a simple text search of the Web page if the Web page does not have a search object.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the searching means comprises:

means for searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

15. (Original): The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the searching means further includes:

means for searching Web pages identified by any universal resource identifiers found on the Web page.

16. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the universal resource identifier is a universal resource locator.

17. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the parsing means and the searching means are implemented in a Web browser on the data processing system.

18. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the parsing means and the searching means are implemented in a program located on the data processing system.

19. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12 further comprising:
presenting means for presenting results of the search.

20. (Previously Presented): The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the results are presented as a set of universal resource identifiers, wherein each universal resource identifier within the set of universal resource identifiers are selectable to retrieve an associated Web page.

21. (Original): The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the selected delimiter is at least one of a "\$", "%", "*", and "#".

22. (Currently Amended): A data processing system for searching for information, the data processing system comprising:

parsing means, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;

searching means for searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; [[and]]

initiating means for initiating a search for the information through the search object if the Web page has a search object, wherein the search is based on the search string; and

means for initiating a simple text search for the information based on the search string if the Web page does not have a search object.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended): A data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes a set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system, wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to parse the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter, responsive to receiving an input string; identify a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier; determine whether the Web page has a search object; search [[a]] the Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; and initiate a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string.

wherein if the Web page has a search object the search step comprises:

locating a search object on the Web page; and

using the search object to search for the information; and

wherein if the Web page does not have a search object the search step comprises:

performing a simple text search of the Web page.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended): A computer program product in a computer readable medium for searching for information, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;

second instructions for searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; [[and]]

third instructions for initiating a search for the information through the search object if the Web page has a search object, wherein the search is based on the search string; and

fourth instructions for initiating a simple text search for the information based on the search string if the Web page does not have a search object.

27. (Original): A method in a data processing system for searching for information, the method comprising:

responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and

searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

28. (Original): A data processing system for searching for information, the data processing system comprising:

parsing means, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and

searching means for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

29. (Original): A computer program product in a computer readable medium searching for information, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and

second instructions for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.